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WALHALIA, S. C.:

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1916.

FOR GREATER OCONEE.

It was really refreshing to us to hear yesterday the voice of Dr. Edgar A. Tines, of Seneca, even though that voice came to us over eight miles of wire. It sounded natural, and it sounded right. We could never quite | ill fortune. accustom ourselves to thinking of Dr. Hines as a resident of Anderson. Of course, Anderson is a good town and all that-but Dr. Hines belongs to Oconee, and somehow we could never accustom ourselves to think of him as an Andersonian.

New, however, he is back in Oconee, and we are glad of it. We congratulate Seneca and Oconee, and we sympathize with Anderson. great feature of the return of Dr. Hines to our county is that he comes back with a greater love for Oconee, and with the determination to work for a "Greater Oconee."

A CONSIDERABLE DIFFERENCE.

Recently The Courier has had some remarks to make concerning the liquor question. At the first of the new year we met one of our friends, and, wishing him a happy and prosperous New Year, he thanked us, and stated that he was going to have a good year. He seemed absolutely certain of it-not a shadow of doubt in his mind. Why? He is an energetic man, and, though well past the "turning point" in years, he can be seen steadily at work, rain or shine, hot or cold, every work day in the year, anless perchance he may happen to be sick. Here is why he feels certain of a good and prosperous

Before January 1 came he promised himself that during 1916 he will not touch a drop of "Liquid Hell."

And here is his story in substance: "A few years ago I began the new year with \$250 in cold cash in my pockets. I had four good, fat horses, grow old, I 'broke over' and began horse at all."

This is no fable. We know the man, and hundreds of others who will read this also know him. We have noted his coming and going, at times with sorrow, at other times rejoicing that he had "straightened up." have seen him up and we have seen bim down. We have never seen him up when he was breaking or had breken over. We have never seen him 'down" when he was sticking to his good resolutions.

There is a world of food for thought in the brief narrative that this good man gives us. He is a good man-but liquor can make at once a bad man and a poor man out of the very best material we have.

We hope that our friend will stick to his resolution. We like to see him driving his nice, fat horses; we like to see him with cash in his pockets; his good humor. And what is true of this man applies to every other.

Liquor has unmanned many of our best men-it has never, and never will, make a man out of anybody. It good man and a dangerous citizen out of all who use it to excess.

Liquid Hell is a commodity that it will be well for every citizen, old or young, to give a mighty wide berth. To tamper with it is to court poverty and invite conditions worse than

Kills Self and Five.

Chicago, Jan. 9 .- Mrs. Christiana Maves, wife of a teamster, killed herself and her five children, ranging in age from 2 to 7, by turning on the gas last night. She left this fragment of

"You made my life miserable. You never gave me any money and then--"

Her husband, who was absent when the tragedy took place, said gested that her mind might have bedeath of her mother last summer.

BOUNTY LAND NEWS NOTES.

Mrs. Lillian Adams Dead-School Improvement Association at Work.

Bounty Land, Jan. 10 .- Special: Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Woolbright and son Guy, of Townville, were recent guests at the home of B. E. Bagwell. Mrs. J. B. Pickett is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. M. Milam, at Sandy

Springs. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Berry, who were quite ill last

week, are improving. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Davis and children, of Roswell, Ga., were recent guests at the Davis home.

The many friends of Mrs. J. M. Gillison will regret to learn that she has been quite indisposed for the past week. She is improving, however, and we hope for a complete restora-

tion to health, Elijah Gillison, of Walhalla, was in the community Thursday.

Jasper Doyle lost a good horse last week. This is the third horse he has lost in the last seven years. His subject with men to a common politfriends sympathize with him in this

Mrs. Lillian McDonald Adams died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McDonald, on Wednesday, the 5th, at 10 o'clock a. m., after a lingering illness of tuberculosis. Mrs. Adams was about 26 years of age. She was a member of Hopewell Baptist church. On the second Sunday in April last she was united in marriage to William Lester Adams, son of J. M. Adams, of this community, besides whom she leaves father, mother, one brother, Lawrence, and sister, Miss Jessie, and quite a number of other relatives to mourn her death. The body was laid to rest in Seneca cemetery on Thursday at 12.30, funeral church. The sincere sympathies of many friends are extended to the bereaved.

Miss Annie Entrekin visited in Walhalla Saturday.

'Miss Etta Adams visited friends in the Clearmont section the latter part of the week.

Wilson, of Pendleton, were recent guests of Mrs. M. A. Wilson.

for several days, but is convalescent. T. N. Hall, of Westminster, a few

Jasper Doyle and W. A. Rankin went to Clemson to-day on business. A. S. Crumpton, of Newry, is in the community to-day.

Miss Kate McClanahan, of Westminster, was a recent guest of the Misses Davis.

The first meeting of Bounty Land Improvement Association was held in and I owed no man a penny. But long the school house on Friday evening, before the new year had begun to January 7. An interesting program was rendered, including an instructdrinking the infernal stuff again. I live talk on school improvement by ended that year with not a penny in Miss Annie McMahan, ex-Supervisor my pockets; I owed everybody that I of Rural Schools of the county. Delicould owe anything, and I had no cious hot coffee and cheese sandwiches were served.

THE MOST GLORIOUS FAILURE.

Brief Late Dispatches from European War More Interesting.

London, Jan. 10 .- The British seerely defeated the Turks in Mesopotamia, it was officially announced today. They captured many Turkish guns. The battle lasted several days, It is announced that Gen. Nixon, who has commanded the Mesopotamia campaign, has retired on account of 'ill health.'

Turks Surround British.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—Ten thousand Furks have surrounded the British expedition at Kut El Amara, it is reported to-day.

Russians Quit Assaults.

Berlin, Jan. 10 .- The Russians we like to see him going about his have temporarily abandoned ondaily work with his broad smile and slaughts at Volhynia and Bessarabia,

it is reported.

Turks Sent to Other Fields. London, Jan. 10 .- Two hundred thousand finest Turkish troops have been released to other theaters by makes a second-rate citizen out of a the withdrawal of the allies from Gallipoli and will be sent with many big guns either for a Suez campaign or an effort will be made to drive the Brit-'sh from Mesopotamia.

> There is no hint as to what disposition will be made of the allies. A large fleet of warships will be retired to other theaters by the abandonment campaign. The withdrawal is called 'the most glorious failure in history.'

Bethea Expected Back Soon.

Columbia, Jan. 11 .-- Lieutenant Governor Bethea is expected to reach Columbia in a day or two, it was announced from his office here to-night. It is thought that he will land in New York to-night or to-morrow from his trip abroad with the Ford expedithat he gave most of his wages to his | tion. The Lieutenant Governor will | and there is no meat with their meals. wife and did not abuse her. He sug- name his secretary on his return. In The correspondents declare that Mahis absence Senator Walker, presicome affected through grief, over the dent pro tem, will preside over the pose because they cabled news of Senate.

BOOST "VOTES FOR WOMEN."

Senate Suffrage Committee Reports Favorably on Anthony Amendment.

Washington, Jan. 8 .- The Susan B. Anthony amendment providing for woman suffrage was favorably reported to-day to the Senate by the suffrage committee.

After pointing out that the government of the United States is one of delegated powers, the report says:

"Manhood suffrage has been from time to time extended. Every enlargement of the franchise has been a natural and logical development of the principle of popular sovereignty. We may assume that universal male suffrage is an established factor in our system of government.

"In our opinion every argument and every principle upon which universal manhood suffrage rests demands the extension of its privileges and responsibilities to women. They are subject to the laws, are taxed for the support of government and ical destiny. They comprise 50 per cent of our population. They are citizens in all other respects. Together with the men they constitute the people. In patriotism, intelligence, devotion to welfare of the government and in capacity for franchise, they are in no wise inferior to men.

"Neither logically nor justly therefore can unlimited suffrage be recognized as an essential to our republi can form of government and its existence at the same time be limited to one-half of the people, arbitrarily segregated from the other half by the accident of sex.'

The report adds that, inasmuch as the nation nearly half a century ago determined to restrict State authorservices being conducted by Rev. T. ity over the ballot by abolishing the M. Galphin, pastor of Seneca Baptist disqualification of color, there is no reason why it should not continue this policy by abolishing the disqualification of sex.

Preacher Pounded Plentifully.

Editor Keowee Courier: Please allow us space in your columns to express our thanks to the good people Mrs. Mary Casey and Miss Lizzie of the Walhalla circuit for the nice pounding given us on the first day of the New Year. It was well done. Miss Dana Cleveland has been ill They filled the parsonage pantry with many good things. Even the faithful Miss Alice Hall visited her brother, horse was not forgotten. Please accept our thanks for these things, especially the spirit which prompted it. May God give us a great year as 'Workers together with Him."

> Sincerely. West Union, Jan. 6.

Notes from Westminster.

Westminster, Jan. 11.—Special: Hon. F. H. Shirley, Representative from Oconee, left Tuesday to take up

his duties at the State House.
Miss Kathryn Russell has returned from a visit to her parents at Rus-

Freeman Bearden, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bearden, has been very ill for several days with pneumonia There seems to be an improvement in his condition, however, and his many friends hope for his speedy

recovery.
Miss Sallie Honea entertained few of her friends last Friday even-

Miss Carrie Dickson, of Anderson T. N. Carter left last week for a

visit of several days to his son, J. llafed Carter, at Malvern, Ark. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wingate have

moved back to the country Johns's Mill. Miss Mary Kay has returned home

after spending several weeks with her aunt, Mrs. R. P. Bradwell, at Sumter.

The Southern Railway birdge over Tugaloo river, gave way Sunday morning at 9 o'clock as third 76, through freight, was crossing and plunged several cars into the river The engineer felt the bridge below. give and put on all steam, breaking the coupling, and ran across the trestle on the ties to safety. Fortunately no one was killed. All mail, passenger and freight traffic was tied up

the first of the week, Mrs. W. W. Mitchell and children have returned to their home at Bir mingham, Ala., after spending several weeks here with relatives.

British Battleship Sunk.

London, Jan. 9 .-- The British battleship King Edward VII has been sunk as the result of striking a mine. The ship's company was taken off without loss of life. Only two men were injured.

The King Edward was of 16,350 tons, laid down in 1902. She was 453 feet long, 78 feet beam and 26 feet draught. She had four 12-inch guns, four 9.2-inch and ten 6-inch guns in her main battery, and was equipped with four torpedo tubes, submerged. Her speed on her trial trip was 19 knots. She had a complement of 777 men.

Mme, Schwimmer's Revenge.

The Hague, Jan. 10 .- Fifty newspaper correspondents with the Ford party have been quartered in a Dutch sanitarium because the hotel is full. No tobacco or liquor is allowed there, dame Schwimmer arranged it on purrows among the delegates.

SETTLING LUSITANIA CASE.

German Proposals Said to Be Satisfactory to United States.

Washington, Jan. 10 .- Negotiations between the United States and Germany over the Lusitania incident. it seemed to-day, virtually have reached a conclusion.

This became apparent following the receipt of two communications from Germany, through Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador-one offering to pay an indemnity for loss of American lives in the Lusitania disaster and the other conveying assurances regarding the conduct of submarine warfare.

The latest turn in the negotiations caused gratification in official circles and relieved to a great extent tension over the entire submarine question.

Austria already having given assurances regarding submarine operations, it is expected that Turkey and Bulgaria will be next to give similar guarantees.

Indications were that the German proposals in the Lusitania affair would be accepted by the United States. Practically the only thing remaining to bring the controversy to an end, it was said, is the wording of the agreement to be entered into.

Officials to-day still were without details concerning the sinking of the British steamer Persia, although additional instructions have been sent diplomatic and consular officers to gather any information obtainable.

Some members of the cabinet are urging President Wilson, after the Persia case has been settled, to ask all the Teutonic allies to definitely agree that no unarmed ships with Americans aboard shall be destroyed until passengers and crew have reached a place of safety. President Wilson is considering the idea and is said to think well of it.

County Teachers' Association.

The next meeting of the Oconee County Teachers' Association will be held at Seneca next Saturday, January 15, at 12 m. The purpose of this meeting is to adopt the program for Fair and Field Day as arranged by the committees.

The last meeting was held at Westminster on December 11, a large number of teachers being present. The occasion was thoroughly enjoyed

After the business meeting the teachers were taken in automobiles, furnished by the citizens of Westminster, to the handsome residence of Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Whitten. Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Sullivan. The doors of that hospitable home were thrown open and each teacher present received a warm welcome at a reception tendered by the Westminster teachers. After music and merrymaking in the beautifully decorated parlors the guests were invited into the spacious dining hall, where a delicious course lunchcon was served.

If so many teachers could brave the snow on that Saturday, should not we have even more present at Seneca next Saturday, when so important a meeting is to be held?

Three Killed in Explosion.

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 10 .- Three men were instantly killed in the terrific explosion of the machine house at Carnel's Point DuPont plant just after midnight. The blast shook the countryside. The night shift had just embarked on the ferry boat "Long Beach" to cross the Delaware and all were knocked off their feet. Windows were broken and lights went out.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

For the convenience of tax-payers it NEWRY, I will be at the office of the Courtenay Mfg. Co., at Newry from 12 o'clock m. until 4 o'clock . m., on SATURDAY, January 22d 1916, for the collection of taxes.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC: On Satur lay, January 22, in order to meet the appointment above given, the Trea-surer's office will be closed after 11 o'clock a. m

R. H. ALEXANDER, Treasurer Oconee County. Jan. 12, 1916.

FOR COUNTY PHYSICIAN.

Scaled bids for the position County Physician will be received by the Board of County Commissioners it their office, on the first Friday in FEBRUARY, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. Bids can be sent in before that time if desired. The service required will be attendance upon all patients at the County Farm, the County Jail, and on prisoners in the convict camp within a radius of eight (8) miles of Walhalla. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. W. C. FOSTER, Supervisor.

Jan. 12, 1916.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

All persons indebted to the Estate of Mrs. Sallie C. Williams, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against said estate will present the same duly attested within the time prescribed by law or be barred.

CLARENCE E. MILLER, Executor of the Estate of Mrs. Sallie C. Williams, Deceased. Jan. 12, 1916.

Forty Dollars

A Ton for Cotton Seed

Makes Us All Feel Good!

We can now get the necessary FARMING IM-PLEMENTS that we let go by last year, and get ready for another crop.

Our Warehouses are chock full of these Standard-ofthe-World Implements-

OLIVER Chilled Plows and Repairs.

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COLE Grain Drills, Distributers, Stalk Cutters DISC HARROWS. **DEG HARROWS.**

You can't afford to let the buildings go down for lack of repafring, as our prices are low on Building Materials, Windows, Doors, Roofings, Lime, Cement, etc.

Barbed Wire, Field and Hog Fencing.

For the next three months we have no competition in this line of IMPLEMENTS, BUILDING MATE-RIALS, HEATING STOVES, GRATES, AXES.

We have the goods-bought them for Spot Cash when money was hard.

Our prices will convince, as we are to-day carrying over ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH OF HARDWARE in our Three Hardware Stores.

Matheson Hardware Co.,

WESTMINSTER, S. C. Charlotte, N. C. Toccoa, Ga

CITATION NOTICE.

The State of South Carolina, County of Oconee .- (In Court of Probate.)-By V. F. Martin, Judge of Probate.-WHEREAS, JOSEPH KERR has made suit to me to grant her Letters of Administration of the Estate of and Effects of R. E. L. KERR, deceased-

These are, therefore, to cite and ad-monish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said R. E. L. KERR, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Walhalla Court House, South Carolina, on Saturday, the 22d day of JANUARY, 1916, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock n the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said administra-tion should not be granted.

Given under my hand and seal this 3d day of January, A. D. 1916. (Seal.) V. F. MARTIN, Judge of Probate for Oconee County,

South Carolina.
Published on the 5th and 12th days of January, 1916, in The Keowee Courier, and on the Court House loor for the time prescribed by law.

Jan. 5, 1916. NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

All persons indebted to the Estate of James W. Bearden, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, and all persons present the same, duly attested, within the time prescribed by law or

be barred. JOE BELL BROWN. W. S. BEARDEN. Executors of the Estate of James W. Bearden, Deceased.

Dec. 22, 1915. 51-2 MAKE YOUR TAX RETURNS.

Auditor's Office, Oconee County, S. C. December 17, 1915.

The Auditor's office will be open to receive returns for Personal Properly for taxation from the 1st day of January, 1916, to the 20th day of February, 1916, inclusive.

The Township Boards of Assessors are required by law to list all those who fail to make their own returns within the time prescribed by law. Hence the difficulty of delinquents escaping the 50 per cent penalty, as well as the frequency of errors resulting from this practice. By all means make your own returns and thereby save expenses and confusion. All personal property must be itemized.

Real Estate not returnable this year, except property that has been bought or sold, in which case same should be noted as such.

Be sure and give your correct school district.

All persons between the ages of 21 and 60 years, except ex-Confederate soldiers and those incapable of earning a support from being maimed or other causes, shall be deemed taxable polls.

Please don't neglect returning your dogs.

For the convenience of tax-payers the Auditor or his deputies, will receive returns at the following times and places:

> Friendship--Thursday, Jan. 13. Jordania-Friday, Jan. 14. Richland-Saturday, Jan. 15. Adams's Crossing-Monday, Jan.

17, 8 to 10 o'clock.

Clemson College-Monday, Jan. 7, 11 to 1 o'clock. Newry-Tuesday, Jan. 18.

Clark's Store--Wednesday, Jan. 19. Salem-Thursday, Jan. 20. Little River-Friday, Jan. 21. Tamassee-Saturday, Jan. 22. Mt. Rest-Monday, Jan. 24.

Henry's Store-Theaday, Jan. 25. Cannon's Store-Wednesday, Jan.

Westminster-Thursday and Friday, January 27 and 18. Seneca - Monday and Tuesday,

fanuary 31 and February 1. Returns will be taken at all places mentioned above from 10 o'clock a. m. until 3 o'clock p. m., except those

noted otherwise. D. A. SMITH.

Auditor Oconee County. S. C. SUMMONS.

The State of South Carolina, County of Oconce.

(In Probate Court.) W. O. White, as Administrator of the Personal Estate of Pompey Keels, Deceased, Plaintiff,

against

Selma Cobb, Lula Webb. Carrie Keels. Frances Keels, Katie Webb, Luther Perry, Robin Keels, Tenar Staggers, Hansel Staggers, Ellis Staggers, Ressie Staggers, J. C. Staggers, Annie Bell Staggers, Marilla Ayers, James Hunter, Zelia Hunter, Hester Hunter, J. C. Staggers, Bud Staggers, Peggy Stag-Blanche Staggers, Keels, and William Keels, Defend-

Summons.

To the Defendants Above Named: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the Complaint in this action, of which a copy is here-with served upon you, and to serve a opy of your Answer to the said Complaint on the subscriber, at his of-fice on the Public Square, at Walhalla Court House, S. C., within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the

Court for the relief demanded in the Dated this 10th day of June, 1915. E. L. HERNDON

Plaintiff's Attorney. ul Seal.) V. F. MARTIN, Judge of Probate for Oconee

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR ALDERMAN.

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Whereas, the result of the election for Muincipal Officers for the Town of Walhalla, held this the 11th day of January, 1916, resulted in the election of Mayor and five of the six Aldermen to be elected, but by reason of there being a tie vote between Otto H. Schumacher, Jr., and Wm. A. Hetrick, each receiving 98 votes, and being less than a majority of the otal vote cast, it becomes necessary that a Special Election be held for one Alderman:

Now, therefore, such Special Election is hereby ordered to be held on TUESDAY, the 25th day of JANU-ARY, 1916, for the election of one Alderman to serve for the ensuing term of two years.

It is further ordered, That T. A. Grant, J. R. Tribble and Fred White be, and they are hereby, appointed Managers of said Special Election.

W. M. BROWN, Mayor. JAS. M. MOSS, Clerk and Treas. Walhalla, S. C., Jan. 11, 1916.

(Official Seal.) County, S. C. Jan. 12, 1916.